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Laureate Program

Dear Convention Delegate:

We will be honoring the two 1998 Tau Beta Pi Laureates at our national Awards Banquet Saturday night. They are: Guang-Ien Cheng, Massachusetts Beta '97, for Diverse Achievements, and Jonathan M. Owens, Alabama Beta '98, for Diverse Achievements.

Established at the 1981 Convention, the Laureate Program marks a major step in our efforts to heighten student awareness of the key role a broad education plays in the engineer's personal and professional life. These \$2,500 grants to students who have excelled in both their extracurricular activities and engineering studies are intended to carry out our Constitutional mandate to inspire members to an appreciation of liberal culture. For engineers to continue making valuable contributions to society, it is imperative that we all understand our heritage -- from our economic and political development to our social and cultural evolution.

Your own chapter might have an outstanding member whom the chapter could nominate this winter. Nominations should be sent to the national headquarters by March 15. Detailed information about the program is printed in the Tau Beta Pi President's Book.

Enclosed is our Laureate Program press release. Many thanks for helping us spread this important message to the public and to the leading engineers of America's future.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Press release